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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on the 5th August, 1970:—

BILL No. 74 OF 1970

A Bill to amend the Salaries and Allowances of officers of Parliament Act, 1953.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Twenty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

Short title and commencement.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament (Amendment) Act, 1970.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of November, 1969.

Amendment of section 4.

2. Section 4 of the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953 shall be re-numbered as sub-section (1) thereof, and—

20 of 1953.

(*i*) in sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, for the words "fifteen days", the words "one month" shall be substituted; and

(*ii*) after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered and before the *Explanation*, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2) In the event of the death of an officer of Parliament, his family shall be entitled to the use of the furnished residence occupied by the officer of Parliament—

(*a*) for a period of one month immediately after his death, without payment of rent and no charge shall fall on the family of the officer of Parliament in respect of the maintenance of such residence, and

(*b*) for a further period of one month, on payment of rent at such rates as may be prescribed by rules made in this behalf under section 11 and also charges in respect of electricity and water consumed in that residence during such further period.".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Under section 4 of the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953, an officer of Parliament (namely, the Chairman or the Deputy Chairman of the Council of States or the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker of the House of the People) is entitled, without payment of rent, to the use of furnished residence throughout his term of office and for a period of fifteen days immediately thereafter. This period of fifteen days is considered short when an officer of Parliament vacates office and is even more so when his family has to vacate the residence in the event of his death, considering that this is the period which would, in most cases, be taken up in completing the funeral rites.

2. It is, therefore, proposed to increase the aforesaid period of fifteen days to one month when an officer of Parliament vacates office. In the event of the death of an officer of Parliament it is proposed to provide that his family shall be entitled to the use of the furnished residence occupied by the officer of Parliament for a period of two months immediately after his death. For the first month his family will not be liable for payment of rent or maintenance charges but during the second month, his family will have to pay rent at the prescribed rates and charges for electricity and water consumed during that month.

3. It is also proposed to give retrospective effect to the above proposals from 1st November, 1969.

NEW DELHI;
The 6th July, 1970.

K. RAGHU RAMAIAH.

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION UNDER ARTICLE 117 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

[Copy of letter No. 160(L)/67-70/PA., dated the 18th July, 1970 from Shri K. Raghu Ramaiah, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, and Shipping and Transport to the Secretary, Lok Sabha.]

The President, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Bill further to amend the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953, recommends the introduction of the Bill under article 117(1) and its consideration by Lok Sabha under article 117(3) of the Constitution.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

Under section 4 of the Salaries and Allowances of Officers of Parliament Act, 1953, an officer of Parliament (which term means the Chairman or the Deputy Chairman of the Council of States or the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker of the House of the People) is entitled, without payment of rent, to the use of a furnished residence throughout his term of office and a period of fifteen days immediately thereafter The proposed provision in clause 2 of the Bill is to increase this period to one month when the officer of Parliament vacates office and to two months in the event of his death (the intention being that his family may retain the residence for a period of one month after his death without payment of rent and for a further period of one month on payment of rent at prescribed rates). If the period of retention is increased to one month or two months, as the case may be, instead of fifteen days as at present, the additional financial expenditure likely to be involved out of the Consolidated Fund of India will be about Rs. 1,200 or, as the case may be, Rs. 2,100 per annum. However, as the expenditure is of an uncertain and unpredictable nature, it would not be possible to make an exact assessment of the amount likely to be involved but it is not expected to be large.

S. L. SHAKDHER,
Secretary.

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